

# Building Society Operational Information

Year	Notes	Number of authorised societies	Number of branches	Number of investors 000s	Number of depositors 000s	Number of borrowers 000s	Number of full time staff	Number of part time staff	Deposits from shares £m	Deposits and loan balances £m	Mortgage assets £m	Total assets £m
1910		1,723	—	626	—	—	—	—	—	—	60	76
1920		1,271	—	748	—	—	—	—	64	19	69	87
1930		1,026	—	1,449	428	720	—	—	303	45	316	371
1940		952	—	2,088	771	1,503	—	—	552	142	678	756
1950		819	—	2,256	654	1,508	—	—	962	205	1,060	1,256
1960		726	—	3,910	571	2,349	—	—	2,721	222	2,647	3,166
1970		481	2,016	10,265	618	3,655	24,116	1,050	9,788	382	8,752	10,819
1975		382	3,375	17,916	677	4,397	32,485	2,464	22,134	762	18,802	24,204
1976		364	3,696	19,991	712	4,609	34,673	2,704	25,760	848	22,565	28,202
1977		339	4,130	22,536	760	4,836	37,876	3,213	31,110	1,224	26,427	34,228
1978		316	4,595	24,999	781	5,108	40,870	4,062	36,186	1,254	31,598	39,538
1979		287	5,147	27,878	797	5,251	43,963	5,207	42,023	1,281	36,801	45,789
1980		273	5,684	30,636	915	5,383	46,418	6,309	48,915	1,762	42,437	53,793
1981		253	6,162	33,388	995	5,490	47,716	7,661	55,463	2,577	48,875	61,815
1982		227	6,480	36,607	1,094	5,645	49,102	9,047	64,968	3,532	56,696	73,033
1983		206	6,643	37,711	1,200	5,928	50,761	10,431	75,197	5,601	67,474	85,869
1984		190	6,816	39,380	1,550	6,314	51,660	11,454	88,087	8,426	81,882	102,689
1985		167	6,926	39,996	2,150	6,657	53,172	12,519	102,332	10,752	96,765	120,763
1986		151	6,954	40,559	2,850	7,023	55,830	13,436	115,538	16,862	115,669	140,603
1987		138	6,962	41,965	3,648	7,182	59,315	14,979	129,954	20,572	130,870	160,097
1988		131	6,912	43,816	4,306	7,369	63,874	16,243	149,791	26,529	153,015	188,844
1989		110	6,236	36,805	4,490	6,699	59,960	14,644	143,359	30,533	151,492	187,012
1990		101	6,051	36,948	4,299	6,724	61,254	15,128	160,538	40,695	175,745	216,848
1991		94	5,921	37,925	4,698	6,998	63,997	15,183	177,519	49,517	196,946	243,980
1992		88	5,765	37,533	3,879	7,055	62,191	17,212	187,108	57,068	210,998	262,515
1993		84	5,654	37,809	5,486	7,229	83,003	23,904	194,975	64,861	224,168	281,152
1994		82	5,566	38,150	5,509	7,370	79,639	24,419	201,812	71,898	236,655	300,998
1995	1	80	5,141	38,998	6,307	7,178	75,701	23,434	200,826	69,220	233,358	299,921
1996	1	77	4,613	37,768	6,889	6,859	75,480	25,034	196,546	76,231	236,930	318,392
1996	2	72	2,571	17,033	756	2,774	29,266	8,681	82,202	28,516	96,164	124,869
1997	2	71	2,537	19,234	964	2,872	30,632	8,953	90,093	31,207	105,803	137,864
1998		71	2,502	21,195	909	3,136	33,155	9,996	103,290	33,433	116,285	156,014
1999		69	2,384	21,774	722	3,044	32,722	10,379	109,138	34,579	120,410	157,141
2000		67	2,361	22,237	740	3,107	32,334	10,823	119,299	43,579	134,100	177,747
2001	3	65	2,126	20,310	568	2,750	28,200	9,150	119,815	37,985	128,322	171,375
2002		65	2,103	20,724	511	2,688	28,982	9,257	132,373	37,651	138,884	184,453
2003		63	2,081	20,897	520	2,679	32,502	11,440	142,457	49,204	156,396	207,735
2004		63	2,074	20,734	525	2,749	34,335	11,571	153,844	63,798	180,172	236,146
2005		63	2,148	22,090	449	2,822	35,615	12,203	171,935	71,704	203,260	265,226
2006		60	2,105	22,396	472	2,857	37,112	12,893	188,943	82,760	228,096	294,419
2007		59	2,016	23,038	460	2,941	38,652	12,926	206,783	98,365	257,810	330,272
2008		55	1,916	24,990	n/a	2,926	35,331	12,043	230,879	104,302	265,554	358,956
2009	4	52	1,685	n/a	n/a	2,714	n/a	n/a	222,271	83,360	243,638	331,274
2010	5	49	c.1,652	c.20,000	n/a	c.2,569	n/a	n/a	210,760	73,509	238,698	309,451

## Notes:

1. Includes societies demutualised by 31/12/97. 2. Excludes societies demutualised by 31/12/97. 3. Excludes Bradford & Bingley. 4. Excludes Britannia. 5. Excludes Kent Reliance.

Years are financial years ending from 1 February in that year to 31 January in the following year. The figures are based on the annual returns provided by all building societies in Great Britain. From 1986 figures include societies based in Northern Ireland. Prior to 1989 the figures for the number of societies are the number registered. From 1989 onwards the figures are the number of societies authorised to accept funds from the public (ie inactive societies still on the register were excluded). Before 1930 borrowers who were not also shareholders were included in the number of shareholders. The number of advances includes further advances and therefore does not indicate the number of borrowers. Figures from 1993 onwards are on a group basis. Prior years are on a society-only basis.

Source: The Financial Services Authority, BSA.